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SUBJ: KOREA AT 29TH UNGA: NIGER

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1. AMB SCHAUFLE MET ON OCT 31 WITH NIGER PERMREP SALIFOU FOR DISCUSSION OF KOREAN ITEM. SALIFOU WAS PLEASED AND WELL-INFORMED ON KOREA, BUT SAID HE STILL LACKS INSTRUCTIONS ALREADY REQUESTED FROM NIAMEY. FONMIN DJERMAKOYE IS PRESENTLY VISITING CANADA, MAY PASS THROUGH NEW YORK ON RETURN TO NIGER, AND PERHAPS WILL HAVE CLARIFICATION NIGERIAN POSITION SHOULD HE VISIT UN. SALIFOU EMPHASIZED SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH NIGER VIEWS KOREAN PROBLEM AS "MAJOR GEO-POLITICAL MATTER."

2. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, SALIFOU SAID HE SAW TWO IMPORTANT QUESTIONS CONNECTED WITH THIS UNGA'S KOREAN DEBATE. IS KOREA MORE PROPERLY A MATTER FOR SECURITY COUNCIL ATTENTION? FOLLOWING CONSENSUS ACHIEVED AT 28TH GA, WHAT PROGRESS ON CONCILIATION BETWEEN BOTH SIDES HAS
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BEEN ACHIEVED IN PAST YEAR? SALIFOU ALSO MENTIONED NIGER'S

RECENT RECOGNITION DPRK; HOWEVER, HE ACKNOWLEDGED BOTH COSTA RICA AND ECUADOR COSPONSOR FIRENDLY KOREAN RESOLUTION WHILE MAINTAINING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH BOTH KOREAS.

3. ALTHOUGH SOUTH KOREANS AT ONE TIME FELT NIGER MIGHT CO-SPONSOR FRIENDLY RESOLUTION, THIS NOW APPEARS UNLIKELY. SUGGEST NIAMEY MIGHT WISH TO RAISE KOREAN ITEM WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY, IF EMBASSY CONSIDERS APPROACH WORTHWHILE, ASKING FOR NIGERIAN SUPPORT OF FRIENDLY RESOLUTION. (FYI: NIGER WAS APPARENTLY PREPARED TO ABSTAIN ON FRIENDLY KOREAN RESOLUTION ONE YEAR AGO, HAD MATTER COME TO VOTE. END FYI) WE WILL SUGGEST ASIAN COSPONSOR, PERHAPS JAPAN, APPROACH NIGER HERE, AND USUN WILL ALSO FOLLOW UP CLOSER TO FIRST COMMITTEE KOREAN DEBATE (PRESENTLY SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN LATE NOVEMBER).
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